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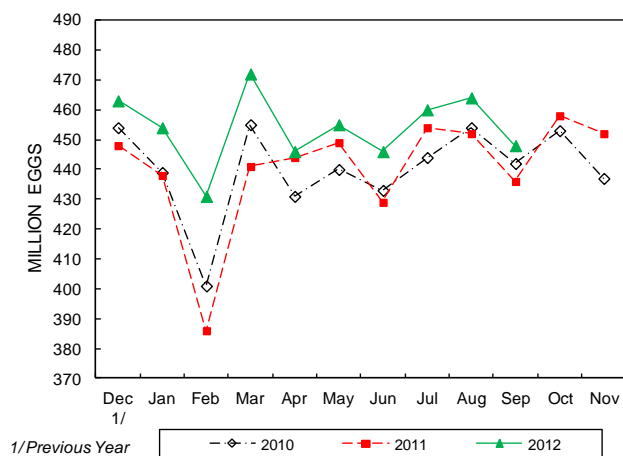
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CALIFORNIA EGG PRODUCTION

California's egg production during September totaled 448 million, down 16 million from August's production, but up 12 million from September 2011. The average number of layers during the month totaled 19.7 million, down slightly from last month, but up 2 percent from September 2011. Eggs per 100 layers during the month were 2,280, compared to 2,356 a month earlier, and 2,264 in September 2011.

EGG PRODUCTION, CALIFORNIA
DECEMBER 1/ THROUGH NOVEMBER, 2010-2012

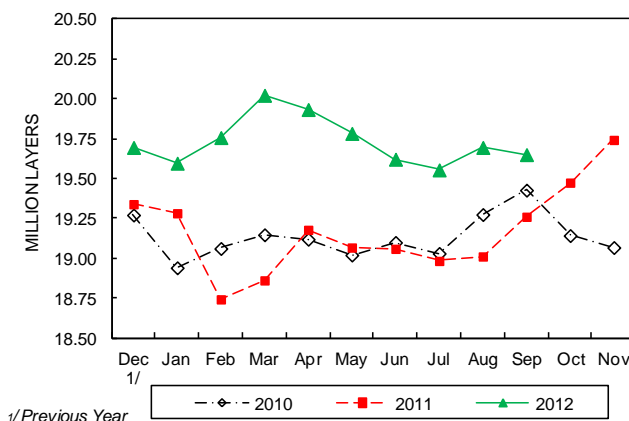


U.S. SEPTEMBER EGG PRODUCTION

U.S. egg production totaled 7.55 billion during September 2012, up 1 percent from last year. Production included 6.57 billion table eggs, and 987 million hatching eggs, of which 919 million were broiler-type and 68 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during September 2012 averaged 337 million, up 1 percent from last year. September egg production per 100 layers was 2,241 eggs, up slightly from September 2011.

All layers in the U.S. on October 1, 2012 totaled 338 million, up 1 percent from last year. The 338 million layers consisted of 285 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 49.3 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 2.96 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on October 1, 2012, averaged 74.3 eggs per 100 layers, down 1 percent from October 1, 2011.

AVERAGE NUMBER OF LAYERS, CALIFORNIA
DECEMBER 1/ THROUGH NOVEMBER, 2010-2012



LAYER NUMBERS AND EGG PRODUCTION DURING SEPTEMBER, FORCED MOLTING AS OF OCTOBER 1

State	Average Number of Layers on Hand		Eggs Per 100 Layers		Total Egg Production		Layers Being Molted		Layers With Molt Completed	
	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012
	Thousands		Number		Millions		Percent			
Alabama	8,977	9,034	1,894	1,959	170	177	0.5	1.0	8.0	6.5
Arkansas	11,743	12,117	2,010	2,063	236	250	1.5	2.0	4.5	12.0
California	19,262	19,652	2,264	2,280	436	448	6.5	6.0	27.5	30.0
Georgia	16,147	16,727	2,155	2,080	348	348	1.5	3.5	15.5	13.0
Indiana	22,720	24,669	2,311	2,238	525	552	5.0	4.5	30.0	29.5
Iowa	52,917	52,550	2,220	2,295	1,175	1,206	6.5	3.0	34.0	28.5
North Carolina	12,237	12,445	2,117	2,009	259	250	3.0	1.0	15.0	15.0
Ohio	27,999	27,001	2,232	2,230	625	602	3.0	5.0	12.0	12.5
Pennsylvania	25,280	24,055	2,350	2,340	594	563	4.0	0.5	11.0	10.0
Texas	18,084	18,922	2,212	2,267	400	429	2.0	4.5	23.5	24.0
UNITED STATES	335,328	337,046	2,238	2,241	7,503	7,554	3.9	3.2	20.4	19.9

U.S. BROILER-TYPE CHICK HATCH

Broiler-type chicks hatched during September 2012 totaled 718 million, down slightly from September 2011. Eggs in incubators totaled 581 million on October 1, 2012, up 2 percent from a year earlier.

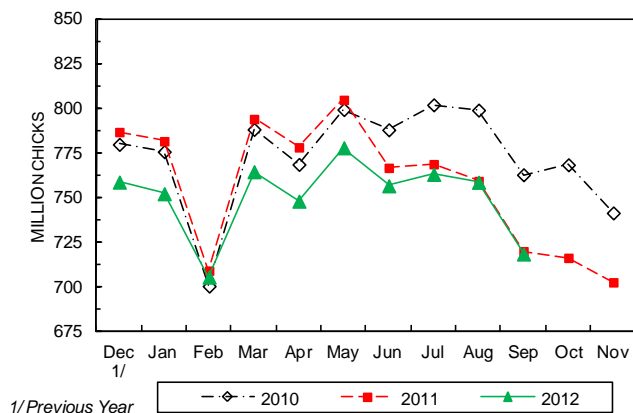
Leading breeders placed 6.68 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during September 2012, up slightly from September 2011.

BROILER-TYPE CHICKS HATCHED, SEPTEMBER

State	2011	2012	<u>2012</u> 2011
	Thousands	Thousands	Percent
Alabama	97,764	99,037	101
Arkansas	74,188	74,860	101
Delaware	10,585	11,758	111
Florida	4,784	4,827	101
Georgia	113,601	114,101	100
Kentucky	28,070	26,850	96
Louisiana	11,697	11,878	102
Maryland	26,500	25,599	97
Mississippi	63,421	60,335	95
Missouri	28,335	29,468	104
North Carolina	68,629	69,713	102
Oklahoma	23,759	23,884	101
Pennsylvania	13,300	13,108	99
South Carolina	18,335	17,749	97
Texas	50,096	48,954	98
Virginia	21,558	21,629	100
California, Missouri, Tennessee and West Virginia	39,999	37,519	94
Other States 1/	24,985	26,798	107
UNITED STATES	719,606	718,067	100

1/ Not published separately to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

BROILER CHICKS HATCHED, UNITED STATES DECEMBER 1/ THROUGH NOVEMBER, 2010-2012



U.S. EGG-TYPE CHICK HATCH

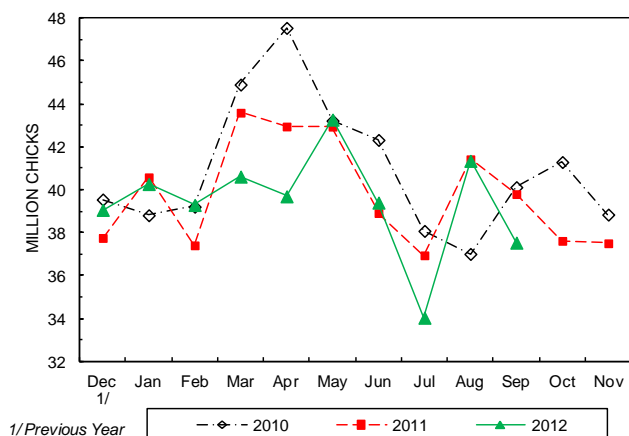
Egg-type chicks hatched during September 2012 totaled 37.5 million, down 6 percent from September 2011. Eggs in incubators totaled 37.2 million on October 1, 2012, up 1 percent from a year ago.

Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 206 thousand during September 2012, down 18 percent from September 2011.

EGG-TYPE CHICKS HATCHED, BY MONTH, UNITED STATES

State	2011	2012	<u>2012</u> 2011
	Thousands	Thousands	Percent
Jan	40,590	40,277	99
Feb	37,415	39,300	105
Mar	43,603	40,622	93
Apr	42,959	39,702	92
May	42,949	43,280	101
Jun	38,920	39,410	101
Jul	36,950	34,041	92
Aug	41,431	41,357	100
Sep	39,805	37,542	94
Oct	37,624		
Nov	37,512		
Dec	39,071		

EGG-TYPE CHICKS HATCHED, UNITED STATES DECEMBER 1/ THROUGH NOVEMBER, 2010-2012



EGGS IN INCUBATORS, OCTOBER 1

Geographic Division	Broiler-Type			Egg-Type		
	2011	2012	<u>2012</u> 2011	2011	2012	<u>2012</u> 2011
	Thousands	Thousands	Percent	Thousands	Thousands	Percent
North Atlantic	10,724	11,267	105	4,804	4,166	87
East North Central	11,414	12,105	106	6,553	6,510	99
West North Central	26,941	26,904	100	8,191	9,858	120
South Atlantic	217,909	223,473	103	4,182	3,965	95
South Central	281,406	288,104	102	5,135	6,114	119
West	21,466	19,525	91	7,996	6,607	83
UNITED STATES	569,860	581,378	102	36,861	37,220	101

U.S. POULTRY AND EGG PRICES

Nationally, the September market egg price, at 106 cents per dozen, is up 10.9 cents from August, and up 20.2 cents from last year. The September broiler price, at 49.0 cents per pound, decreased 1.0 cents from last month, but increased 5.0 cents from a year ago. The September turkey price, at 74.8 cents per pound, is up 0.4 cents from July, and up 1.7 cents from a year earlier.

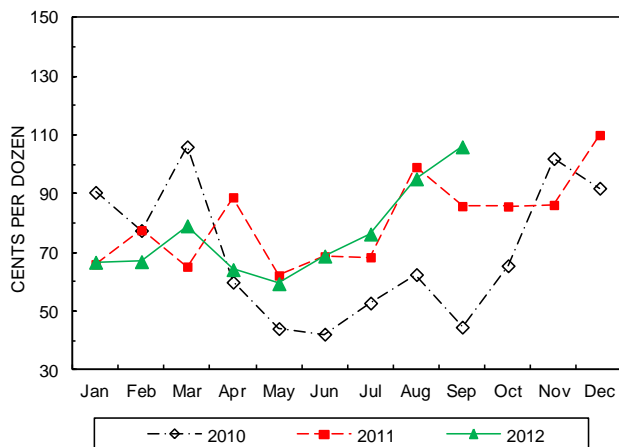
POULTRY AND EGG AVERAGE PRICES RECEIVED 1/

Commodity	Unit	September 2011	August 2012	September 2012
		Cents		
UNITED STATES				
Chickens-Broilers	Lbs.	44.0	50.0	49.0
Market Eggs 2/	Doz.	85.8	95.1	106.0
Turkeys 2/	Lbs.	73.1	74.4	74.8

1/ The estimated prices shown in the table represent composite average prices received by producers. They are averages for all grades, classes and methods of sale of each commodity for the State and U.S. as a whole.

2/ Mid-month prices.

MARKET EGG PRICE, UNITED STATES JANUARY THROUGH DECEMBER, 2010-2012



NET U.S. TURKEY POULT PLACEMENTS 1/

Month	Total All Breeds		2012-13	Cumulative Total		2012-13
	2011-12	2012-13	2011-12	2011-12	2011-12	2011-12
	Thousands	Thousands	Percent	Thousands	Thousands	Percent
Sept.	22,320	21,359	96	22,320	21,359	96
Oct.	21,407			43,727		
Nov.	22,090			65,817		
Dec.	23,893			89,710		
Jan.	23,636			113,346		
Feb.	22,855			136,201		
Mar.	25,055			161,256		
Apr.	24,675			185,931		
May	25,082			211,013		
June	24,868			235,881		
July	26,410			262,291		
Aug.	23,378			285,669		

1/ Excludes exported poult.

U.S. TURKEY HATCHERY PRODUCTION

Turkey eggs in incubators on October 1, 2012, in the U.S. totaled 26.5 million, down 2 percent from October 1, 2011. Eggs in incubators were up 1 percent from the September 1, 2012 total of 26.4 million eggs.

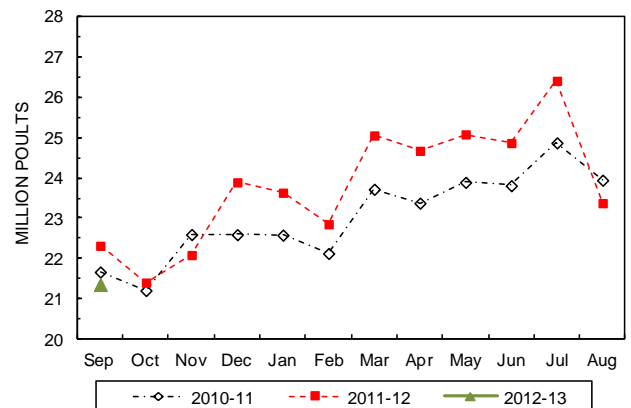
Turkey poults hatched during September 2012, in the U.S. totaled 21.5 million, down 7 percent from September 2011. Poults hatched were down 10 percent from the August 2012 total of 23.8 million poults.

The 21.4 million net poults placed during September 2012 in the U.S. were down 4 percent from the number placed during the same month a year earlier. Net placements were down 9 percent from the August 2012 total of 23.4 million.

U.S. TURKEY EGGS IN INCUBATORS AND POULTS HATCHED BY MONTH

Month	Eggs in incubators first of month		2012-13	Poults hatched entire month		2012-13
	2011-12	2012-13	2011-12	2011-12	2012-13	2011-12
	Thousands	Thousands	Percent	Thousands	Thousands	Percent
Sept.	28,072	26,366	94	23,157	21,521	93
Oct.	27,170	26,503	98	22,423		
Nov.	27,502			22,734		
Dec.	28,741			24,812		
Jan.	28,308			24,463		
Feb.	28,044			23,191		
Mar.	29,039			25,234		
Apr.	28,231			24,291		
May	29,648			25,483		
June	30,385			25,021		
July	29,758			26,199		
Aug.	28,891			23,814		

NET TURKEY POULT PLACEMENTS, U.S. SEPTEMBER THROUGH AUGUST, 2010-2013



PACIFIC COAST AND UNITED STATES COLD STORAGE

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Commodity	Unit	September 30, 2011	August 31, 2012	September 30, 2012	Sep-12 Sep-11	Sep-12 Aug-12
		Thousands			Percent	
PACIFIC COAST						
Turkeys	Lbs.	32,593	37,001	39,893	122	108
Chickens	Lbs.	46,049	39,122	37,686	82	96
Ducks	Lbs.	1,935	139	259	13	186
Total Frozen Poultry Supplies	Lbs.	80,577	76,262	77,838	97	102
UNITED STATES						
Turkeys	Lbs.	509,650	547,766	521,205	102	95
Chickens	Lbs.	669,496	659,343	651,749	97	99
Ducks	Lbs.	5,085	3,279	2,599	51	79
Total Frozen Poultry Supplies	Lbs.	1,184,231	1,210,388	1,175,553	99	97
Eggs, Frozen	Lbs.	31,889	35,856	31,367	98	87



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